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Letter dated 3 October 2006 from the Permanent Representative of the Sudan to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Upon instructions from my Government, I have the honour to forward for your kind attention the text of a letter from President Omar Hassan Ahmed Al-Bashir, addressed to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and the Chairman of the African Union Commission, in response to their joint letter regarding the proposed package of United Nations support to AMIS (S/2006/779, annex).

I would highly appreciate it if you could kindly circulate the present letter and its annex as a document of the Security Council

(*Signed*) Abdalmahmood Abdalhaleem **Mohamad**
Permanent Representative

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Annex to the letter dated 3 October 2006 from the Permanent Representative of the Sudan to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Thank you for your joint letter with the President of the African Union Commission dated 22 September 2006, and its enclosure describing the package of the United Nations immediate support to the African Union Mission in the Sudan (AMIS) for the next three months, up to the end of December 2006, in order to enable AMIS to perform the tasks and functions assigned to it under the Darfur Peace Accord (DPA).

It has been our conviction that the support of the United Nations and the international community to AMIS is a necessity, not only for the purpose of carrying out the functions assigned to AMIS under the DPA, but also for the purposes of moral support to the African Union in order to address with confidence similar future conflicts on the African continent.

As I welcome your initiative and the logistical support by the United Nations to AMIS, as detailed in the enclosure to your letter, I wish to inform Your Excellency that we are currently also engaged in taking a number of immediate actions aiming at augmenting the DPA and ensuring its effective implementation. The actions we have so far taken included the issuance of four Presidential Decrees relating to the establishment of the structures of the Darfur Interim Local Authority, the War Victims Reparations Commission, the Rehabilitation and Settlement Commission and the Darfur Northern Borders Demarcation Commission. Generally, we have effectively commenced implementation of the Plan previously notified to Your Excellency under which framework we also aspire for United Nations support in the humanitarian and developmental spheres, especially the provision of food and vital services. We are also embarked on coordinating efforts to convene the Darfur dialogue conference, as envisaged in the DPA.

Along with the foregoing actions, the Government of National Unity in the Republic of the Sudan is exerting sincere efforts in order to secure the enjoinment of other rebel factions in Darfur which have not yet become parties to the DPA. We reserved for them the share and the right to participate in the Darfur interim government structures.

It is equally important, and on equal footing with the actions we are undertaking within our domestic front that the United Nations, the African Union and the international community continue to lend their support and exert additional efforts towards encouraging all factions to join the DPA, and that all concerned parties must refrain from any action that may negatively undermine the efforts of the Government of National Unity towards the establishment of sustainable peace, development and stability in Darfur.

We are confident that cooperation, consultation, transparency and exchange of information between the United Nations, the African Union and the Government of National Unity in the Sudan will only yield positive progress on the ground from the perspective of alleviating the suffering of our citizens in Darfur, and will accelerate the ultimate resolution of the conflict and sustain peace, Insha Allah. We hope such a spirit will continue until all parties concerned accomplish the tasks awaiting them under the relevant provisions of the Darfur Peace Accord.

We look forward to more mutual understanding between us, the United Nations and the African Union on the frameworks and structures of mutual cooperation and on the need to remedy past negative actions relating to the handling of the situation in Darfur. We shall seek guidance in the principles and purposes of the United Nations Charter and the provisions of the Constitutive Act of the African Union. We look forward to the kind of support from the United Nations, the African Union and the international community that would renew and strengthen confidence in the abilities and functionality of the Government of National Unity in the Sudan in order to perform its duties towards its citizens in accordance with the interim Constitution and the applicable laws in the Republic of the Sudan.

Therefore, the recent support presented by the United Nations to AMIS as prescribed in the enclosure to your letter receives my personal support. For the implementation of the said package we need to set a protocol which will reflect the details of the process.

(*Signed*) Omar Hassan Ahmed **Al-Bashir**
President of the Republic of the Sudan

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Letter dated 2 October 2006 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to refer to my letter dated 2 December 2005 (S/2005/795) in which I proposed, and the Security Council subsequently approved (S/2005/796), the extension of the mandate of the United Nations Peacebuilding Support Office in Guinea-Bissau (UNOGBIS) from 22 December 2005 until 31 December 2006. The Council also approved, in the same document, a revision of the UNOGBIS mandate to allow the Office to adjust to the post-transitional challenges the country faced at the time.

Members of the Council will recall that in my report on developments in Guinea-Bissau and on the activities of UNOGBIS in that country of 6 July 2006 (S/2006/487), I referred to a recent assessment mission dispatched to Guinea-Bissau which concluded that a United Nations political presence remains vital in that country to contribute to stabilization, without which the full resumption of development assistance and economic investments, essential for sustainable peace and progress, cannot be guaranteed.

All of the various national and international stakeholders stressed to the mission the crucial catalytic role of the United Nations in facilitating and fostering dialogue among the principal national actors.

I would like to hereby inform the Security Council of my intention to designate Shola Omoregie (Nigeria) as my representative in Guinea-Bissau and Head of UNOGBIS as of 3 October 2006.

Mr. Omoregie will succeed João Bernardo Honwana, who served in Guinea-Bissau from September 2004 until his return to Headquarters on 15 September 2006, and whose excellent work has greatly contributed to the consolidation of peace in that country.

I should be grateful if you would bring this letter to the attention of the members of the Security Council.

(*Signed*) Kofi A. **Annan**

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Letter dated 5 October 2006 from the President of the Security Council addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to inform you that your letter dated 2 October 2006 (S/2006/790) concerning your intention to designate Shola Omoregie (Nigeria) as your Representative in Guinea-Bissau and Head of the United Nations Peacebuilding Support Office in Guinea-Bissau (UNOGBIS) has been brought to the attention of the members of the Security Council. They take note of the intention expressed in your letter.

(*Signed*) Kenzo **Oshima**
President of the Security Council

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The Security Council,

Recalling its previous resolutions, in particular resolutions 1709 (2006) of 22 September 2006, 1706 (2006) of 31 August 2006, 1679 (2006) of 16 May 2006, 1663 (2006) of 24 March 2006, 1653 (2006) of 27 January 2006, 1627 (2005) of 23 September 2005 and 1590 (2005) of 24 March 2005, and the statements of its President, in particular that of 3 February 2006, concerning the situation in the Sudan,

Reaffirming its commitment to the sovereignty, unity, independence, and territorial integrity of the Sudan and to the cause of peace,

Welcoming the progress in implementation of security arrangements by the parties of the Comprehensive Peace Agreement of 9 January 2005, and *calling* upon the parties to urgently accelerate progress on implementing these and other aspects of the Agreement,

Welcoming the full deployment of United Nations forces within the United Nations Mission in the Sudan (UNMIS) in those areas of operation in support of the Comprehensive Peace Agreement, and *acknowledging* the commitment by troop-contributing countries in support of this mission,

Welcoming the improving humanitarian situation in southern Sudan resulting from progress on implementation of the Comprehensive Peace Agreement,

Noting with concern the restrictions placed on UNMIS movements and materiel by the Government of Sudan and the adverse impact such restrictions have on UNMIS' ability to perform its mandate effectively,

Expressing its grave concern over the recruitment and use of children in conflict in the Sudan, particularly by Other Armed Groups in southern Sudan,

Expressing its grave concern over the continued deterioration of the humanitarian situation in Darfur, and reiterating in the strongest terms the need for all parties to the conflict in Darfur, including non-parties to the Darfur Peace Agreement, to put an end to the violence and atrocities in that region,

Welcoming the decision of the 63rd meeting of the African Union Peace and Security Council of 20 September 2006 to extend the mandate of AMIS to 31 December 2006,

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Encouraging the efforts of the Secretary-General and the African Union to implement those provisions of resolution 1706 (2006) on United Nations assistance to the African Union Mission in the Sudan (AMIS), and calling upon the parties to the Darfur Peace Agreement and all other parties in Darfur to facilitate this process,

Determining that the situation in the Sudan continues to constitute a threat to international peace and security,

1. *Decides* to extend the mandate of UNMIS until 30 April 2007, with the intention to renew it for further periods;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the Council every three months on the implementation of the mandate of UNMIS;

3. *Calls* upon the parties to the Comprehensive Peace Agreement, the Darfur Peace Agreement and the N'djamena Humanitarian Cease-fire Agreement to respect their commitments and implement fully all aspects of the Agreements without delay, and *calls* upon those parties that have not signed the Darfur Peace Agreement to do so without delay and not to act in any way that would impede implementation of the Agreement;

4. *Decides* to remain actively seized of the matter.